Native American Career and Technical Education Program (NACTEP)

GRANTEE: Alamo Navajo School Board, Inc.

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: Tribal Organization

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FEDERAL AWARD: \$416,676

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PROJECT SUMMARY:

The Alamo Navajo School Board, Inc. is a tribal organization. Under the auspices of ANSBI, the Division of Community Services operates and manages NACTEP funding for the purpose of increasing postsecondary education opportunities to members of the Alamo Navajo community. The NACTEP program plans to increase on-reservation course offerings and programs of study through articulated agreements in distance education with several postsecondary institutions within the state of New Mexico.

The Division of Community Services will continue to provide Early Childhood Education Associate Degree Programs leading to a Bachelor of Arts degree with New Mexico Highlands University. In addition, the Office and Business Technology program is being developed to include additional classes for both secondary and postsecondary CTE students.

The industry recognized credential programs in Certified Nursing Assistant, Heavy Equipment Operator, Forest Workers Safety Certification Program, and School Bus Driver Training programs continues to be popular programs for Alamo. Both secondary and post-secondary Career and Technical Education Program participants will continue to build and align dual enrollment programs between the secondary and postsecondary programs. Student organizations such as HOSA (Health Occupations Students of America) and BPA (Business Professionals of America) are available to all CTE students.

The Division of Community Services plans to develop new career-technical education programs in Welding and Construction Trades. There is room to expand additional programs of study and courses in Health, Business, Natural Resources, and Construction trades. It is anticipated that there will be close to 100 students enrolled in these technical education programs each year.

The NACTEP program will continue to financially serve eligible NACTEP students while they attend off-reservation career and technical education post-secondary institutions within the state of New Mexico. A tracking system to monitor attendance and academic progress is in place.

The overall goal of the NACTEP program is to develop a trained workforce with the skills necessary to compete in the world of work.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

- To improve and increase career and technical education and work-based opportunities for secondary students through
 dual enrollment classes as measured by the number of completers and the number of job placements over the five year
 period of this project.
- To improve and increase opportunities for career and technical education for postsecondary students as measured by the number of completers and the number of job placements over the five year period of this project.
- To increase local workforce knowledge and skills by offering postsecondary training and education as measured by the number of completers, job placements, and earnings upgrades over the five year period of the grant.

EDUCATIONAL LEVEL(S) OF PARTICIPANTS:

Secondary and Postsecondary

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION TRAINING AREAS:

AREA CERTIFICATION STATUS

Health Careers Technical Diploma/Certificate/Degree
Office Assistant One-year Technical Diploma/Certificate
Trades Programs One-year Technical Diploma/Certificate

AVAILABLE DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO STUDENTS:

Guidance & Counseling Textbooks
Tutoring Trades tools

Career Placement Personal protective equipment

Laptop checkout (short term)

NUMBER OF PROGRAM SITES: 1

PARTNERSHIPS & COLLABORATIVES:

University of New Mexico-Valencia Branch Community College* Laurel Meadows Nursing Home Facility

Business Professionals of America

Alamo Navajo Early Childhood Division Alamo Navajo Community High School

New Mexico Association of Careers & Technical Education

Navajo Technical College*

Southwestern Area Workforce Development Board

Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell Branch Community College*

New Mexico State University-Grants Branch Community College*

*Articulation Agreement

Good Sam's Nursing Home Facility
Health Occupations Students of America
Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute*
Alamo Navajo Natural Resources Dept.
Local Workforce Investment Board
Central New Mexico College*
Luna Community College*

ACCREDITATION STATUS: North Central Association (NCA) Higher Learning Commission